PATENT APPLICATION

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Tadashi NAKAYAMA et al.

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For:

AN INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS, INFORMATION PROCESSING

METHOD AND RECORDING MEDIUM FOR ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT

INCLUDING AN ELECTRONIC CAMERA

AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Technology Center 2600

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2001, the shortened statutory period for reply being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract filed with the substitute attached Abstract hereto.

REMARKS

Claims 1-30 are pending. By this Amendment, the Abstract has been revised to correct a minor informality. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration in view of the above amendment and following remarks is respectfully requested. The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of each rewritten paragraph (37 C.F.R. §1.121(b)(1)(iii)).

The Office Action rejects claims 1-30 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) over U.S. Patent 6,014,170 to Pont et al. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicants attach hereto 3 verified English translations for JP Application Nos.